

AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

What is claimed is:

- 1 | 1. (Original) An edible protein matrix for use in creating edible compositions
2 | comprising:
3 | an intermediary film having greater than 50% processed protein by weight.
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2 | 2. (Currently Amended) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the processed protein is
3 | derived from at least one a-source selected from the group consisting of a non-
4 | synthetic mammalian, avian, reptilian, or aquatic protein.
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2 | 3. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the intermediary film comprises water in
excess of 25% by weight.
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2 | 4. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the intermediary film further comprises a
starch.
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2 | 5. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the intermediary film further comprises
an oil.
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2 | 6. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the intermediary film further comprises a
surface adjunct for modifying the surface characteristics of the film.
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2 | 7. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the protein of the intermediary film has
an average gel strength of between about 850 and 1000 g/cm, inclusive.
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2 | 8. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the intermediary film is folded upon itself
and selected portions thereof bonded to one another to form an enveloping
3 | structure to retain objects placed therein.

1 | 9. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein two intermediary films are opposed to
2 | each other and selected portions thereof bonded to one another to form an
3 | enveloping structure to retain objects placed therein.

1 | 10. (Original) The matrix of claim 1 wherein the processed protein is surimi.

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1 | 20. (Original) An edible protein matrix envelope for receiving additional foodstuffs
2 | comprising:

3 | a first uncured film having greater than 50% processed protein by weight;

4 | a second uncured film having greater than 50% processed protein by weight,

5 | wherein the first film and the second film are bonded to each other about a
6 | pre-established periphery during subsequent curing to form an envelope.

1 | 21. (Original) The envelope of claim 20 wherein the first film and the second film are
2 | portions of a single film.

1 | 22. (Original) The envelope of claim 20 wherein a portion of the pre-established
2 | periphery between the first and the second film is not bonded, to form an opening
3 | into the envelope.

- 1 | 23. (Currently Amended) The envelope of claim 20 wherein the processed protein is
2 | ~~selected derived from at least one the group consisting of a non-synthetic~~
3 | mammalian, avian, reptilian, or aquatic protein.
- 1 | 24. (New) The envelope of claim 20 wherein the first and the second films have an
2 | outer surface and wherein at least one outer surface comprises a visually
3 | perceptible synthetic design.
- 1 | 25. (New) The envelope of claim 20 wherein the first and the second films have an
2 | outer surface and wherein at least one outer surface comprises a tactiley
3 | perceptible synthetic design.
- 1 | 26. (New) An edible envelope comprising at least one film having greater than 50%
2 | processed protein by weight, wherein the at least one film is configured to accept
3 | edible food stuffs therein.
- 1 | 27. (New) The envelope of claim 26, further comprising edible foodstuffs within the
2 | envelope.